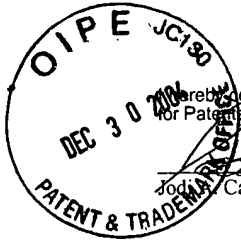


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Invention: *Brush Type Small Motor Having Non-Linear Spring Device*

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 7, 2004, applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1 and 2 for examination. This election is without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application for the subject matter of the non-elected claims 3 and 4 at a later date.

In light of the foregoing, prompt issuance of a favorable first Office Action on the merits is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested. Should there be any remaining questions the attending to of which would expedite such action, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below:

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No fee is believed to be payable with this communication. Nevertheless, should the Examiner consider any other fees to be payable in conjunction with this or any future communication, the Director is authorized to direct payment of such fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1170.

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